

10**Latin Roots: Active Verbs**

Review A **root** is the part of a word that contains its core meaning. Many English words have Latin roots. Knowing common Latin roots can help you figure out the meaning of a word.

- First, identify the root. Eliminate any suffix and/or prefix.
- Next, think of words you know with the same root. Ask yourself: What meaning do these words share?
- Finally, use this shared meaning to guess at the word's definition.
- TIP: Keep in mind these common Latin roots and their meanings.

<i>duc/duct</i> , lead	<i>port</i> , carry
<i>form</i> , shape	<i>press</i> , press
<i>mitt/miss</i> , send	<i>tract</i> , pull

Directions: For each question, **circle** the letter of the **best** answer.

1. Which sentence contains a word with the Latin root that means “to pull”?
 - a. The conductor took our tickets soon after we found our seats.
 - b. I was impressed by how quickly my younger brother learned to drive our car.
 - c. The freezing temperature detracted from our enjoyment of the new snowfall.
2. Which sentence contains **two** words with the same Latin root?
 - a. Some chemicals increase conductivity, while others reduce it.
 - b. I’m the first to admit that Addie makes a very attractive impression when she enters a room.
 - c. The negative information about the product was hidden in the middle of the report.
3. Which is the **best** definition for the word *exportation*?
 - a. the act of carrying away from a place
 - b. the ability to carry something anywhere
 - c. something that carries items
4. Choose the **best** word or phrase to replace the underlined word: “The blueprints were transmitted as an electronic file.”
 - a. discovered
 - b. greatly improved
 - c. sent somewhere